

SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The following editorial changes have been made to the specification to remove references to certain claims and therefore place the application in condition for allowance:

In the Specification:

On page 3, lines 3 - 4: The phrase "as claimed in claim 1" has been deleted;

On page 3, line 15: The phrases "as claimed in claim 2" and "as defined in claim 1" have been deleted;

On page 3, line 23: The phrases "as claimed in claim 3" and "as defined in claim 2" have been deleted;

On page 4, line 1: The phrases "as claimed in claim 4" and "as defined in claim 2" have been deleted;

On page 4, line 7: The phrases "as claimed in claim 5" and "as defined in claim 1" have been deleted;

On page 4, lines 16 - 17: The phrases "as claimed in claim 6" and "as defined in one of claims 1 to 5" have been deleted;

On page 4, lines 23 - 24: The phrases "as claimed in claim 7" and "as defined in one of claims 1 to 6" have been deleted;

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On page 4, line 29 - page 5, line 1: The phrases “as claimed in claim 8” and “as defined in one of claims 1 to 7” have been deleted;

On page 5, lines 7 - 8: The phrases “as claimed in claim 9” and “as defined in one of claims 1 to 8” have been deleted;

On page 5, lines 13 - 14: The phrases “as claimed in claim 10” and “as defined in one of claims 1 to 9” have been deleted;

On page 5, lines 21 - 22: The phrase “as claimed in claim 11” has been deleted;

On page 5, line 23: The phrases “of one of claims 1 to 10” has been deleted;

On page 6, line 7: The phrases “as claimed in claim 12” and “as defined in claim 11” have been deleted;

On page 6, lines 20 - 21: The phrase “as claimed in claim 13” has been deleted;

On page 6, line 22: The phrase “as defined in claims 11 or 12” has been deleted;

On page 7, lines 5: The phrase “as claimed in claim 14” has been deleted;

On page 7, line 6: The phrase “as defined in claim 13” has been deleted;

On page 7, lines 12 - 13: The phrase “as claimed in claim 15” has been deleted;

On page 7, line 14: The phrase “as defined in claim 13” has been deleted;

On page 7, lines 22 - 23: The phrase “as claimed in claim 16” has been deleted;

On page 7, lines 23 - 24: The phrase “of one of claims 1 to 10” has been deleted;

On page 8, line 5: The phrase “as claimed in claim 17” has been deleted;

On page 8, line 6: The phrase “as defined in claim 16” has been deleted;

On page 8, line 13: The phrase “as claimed in claim 18” has been deleted;

On page 8, line 14: The phrase “as defined in claim 16” has been deleted;

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On page 8, line 21: The phrase "as claimed in claim 19" has been deleted;

On page 8, line 22: The phrase "as defined in one of claims 16 to 18" has been deleted.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SEAN D. ANDRISH whose telephone number is (571)270-3098. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri, 7:30am - 5:00pm, Alternate Fri off, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Bagnell can be reached on (571) 272-6999. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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